



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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IMPORT, SALE AND SUPPLY OF AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES  
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A BILL, AIMED AT CONTROLLING THE IMPORT, SALE AND SUPPLY OF AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES, WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION.

KNOWN AS THE AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES BILL 1977, IT WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SHORTLY.

IF ENACTED, THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES IS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN A REGISTER OF AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES IN TWO PARTS. PART I WILL LIST AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES WHICH HAVE BEEN REGISTERED UNCONDITIONALLY AND PART II WILL LIST THOSE WHICH HAVE BEEN REGISTERED SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS IMPOSED BY THE DIRECTOR.

UNDER THE BILL, A LICENCE MUST BE HELD FOR THE IMPORTATION, SALE OR SUPPLY OF REGISTERED PESTICIDES AND A PERMIT FOR THE IMPORTATION, SALE, SUPPLY OR POSSESSION OF THOSE WHICH ARE UNREGISTERED.

HOWEVER, LICENCES WILL NOT BE REQUIRED BY FARMERS, HORTICULTURISTS AND HOUSEHOLDERS WHO LEND, EXCHANGE, OR SUPPLY REGISTERED PESTICIDES TO EACH OTHER ON A NON-COMMERCIAL BASIS OR POSSESS SUCH FOR THEIR OWN USE.

TO ENABLE A SMOOTH INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW LEGISLATION AND AN UNINTERRUPTED FLOW OF PESTICIDES TO THE USERS, TRADERS (EXCEPT SOME IMPORTERS) WILL BE GIVEN A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF THE ORDINANCE TO APPLY FOR THEIR LICENCES.

IF THE BILL IS PASSED REGULATIONS WILL BE MADE TO CONTROL THE LABELLING, PACKAGING AND HANDLING OF PESTICIDES.

LABELS WILL THEN BE REQUIRED TO INDICATE THE NAME AND STRENGTH OF EACH PESTICIDE, THUS ENABLING FARMERS TO MAKE MORE EFFICIENT USE OF THEM AND FACILITATING TREATMENT IN CASES OF ACCIDENTAL POISONING.

CONTROL OF PACKAGING WILL HELP PREVENT PESTICIDES BEING SOLD IN SUCH UNSUITABLE CONTAINERS AS BEER OR SOY SAUCE BOTTLES, WHILE CONTROL OF HANDLING WILL PREVENT THEM FROM BEING STORED OR SOLD WHERE THERE IS A RISK OF CONTAMINATION OF FOOD STUFFS.

COMMENTING ON THE BILL, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION WAS TO FACILITATE SAFER AND MORE PROPER USE OF AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES, MOST OF WHICH ARE HIGHLY TOXIC AND POISONOUS CHEMICALS.

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HE POINTED OUT THAT AT PRESENT AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES WERE CONTROLLED UNDER THE PHARMACY AND POISONS ORDINANCE.

THIS ORDINANCE IS BASICALLY ADMINISTERED BY THE DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES ADVISED BY THE PHARMACY AND POISONS BOARD.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT IT WOULD BE ADMINISTRATIVELY MORE CONVENIENT IF THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES WOULD CONTROL AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES UNDER A SEPARATE ORDINANCE.

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COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) BILL  
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THE COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 1977, WHICH EMPOWERS THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR THE PROPOSED NAME OF AN INTENDED COMPANY, OR A NEW NAME FOR AN EXISTING COMPANY, TO BE RESERVED FOR THREE MONTHS UPON PAYMENT OF A FEE, WAS GAZETTED TODAY.

THE BILL ALSO PROPOSES TO GIVE THE REGISTRAR POWER TO ORDER A COMPANY TO CHANGE ITS NAME IF, BY MISTAKE, IT HAS BEEN REGISTERED BY A NAME WHICH CONTRAVENES ANY PROVISIONS RELATING TO COMPANY NAMES.

SECTION 20 OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE, PROHIBITS THE REGISTRATION OF A COMPANY BY A NAME WHICH IS IDENTICAL TO THAT BY WHICH AN EXISTING COMPANY IS ALREADY REGISTERED OR SO NEARLY RESEMBLES THAT NAME AS TO BE CALCULATED TO DECEIVE, OR WHICH CONTAINS THE WORDS +BUILDING SOCIETY+.

THIS SECTION ALSO PLACES RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF NAMES CONTAINING CERTAIN WORDS OR EXPRESSIONS SUCH AS +CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,+ +ROYAL+, +IMPERIAL+, +CHARTERED+, +BRITISH+, +TRUST+, +MASS TRANSIT+.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE REGISTRAR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT EXPLAINED THAT FOR SOME YEARS THE REGISTRAR HAS OPERATED AN INFORMAL RESERVATION SYSTEM.

+IF AN ENQUIRY AS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF THE COMPANY NAME IS MADE, AND THE NAME IS AVAILABLE, THE REGISTRAR NOTIFIES THE APPLICANT AND UNOFFICIALLY RESERVES THE NAME FOR TWO MONTHS,+ HE SAID.

+HOWEVER, IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY STATUTORY BASIS, THIS RESERVATION COULD BE CHALLENGED, AND FOR THIS REASON THE PRESENT SYSTEM IS NOT ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY.+

THE AMENDING BILL PROVIDES FOR A FEE OF \$20 TO BE CHARGED FOR EACH ENQUIRY REGARDING RESERVATION AND THE RESERVATION PERIOD MAY, UPON PAYMENT OF A \$10 FEE, BE EXTENDED FOR A FURTHER THREE MONTHS.

IF PASSED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, THE ORDINANCE WILL COME INTO EFFECT ON A DAY TO BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR BY NOTICE IN THE GAZETTE. ADEQUATE PRIOR NOTICE OF THE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT WILL BE GIVEN TO THE PROFESSIONS.

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39 DISABLED PLACED TO WORK IN APRIL  
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THIRTY-NINE DISABLED PEOPLE WERE PLACED TO WORK BY THE JOB PLACEMENT UNIT OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT LAST MONTH.

AMONG THE DISABLED EMPLOYED, THREE WERE BLIND, 19 DEAF, THREE MENTALLY RETARDED, THREE EX-MENTAL PATIENTS, TEN CRIPPLED AND ONE EX-TB PATIENT.

EIGHTEEN OF THEM WERE EMPLOYED AS ASSEMBLERS IN ELECTRONIC FACTORIES AND THE OTHERS WERE ENGAGED IN A WIDE RANGE OF TRADES SUCH AS PACKERS, TYPISTS AND TELEPHONE OPERATORS.

WITH REGARD TO THEIR SALARY, 24 WERE EMPLOYED ON DAILY RATE RANGING FROM \$16 TO \$22, WHILE ONE WAS PAID ON PIECE-RATE BASIS. THE SALARY OF THE OTHERS AVERAGED \$550 A MONTH.

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HONG KONG RESORT CO. LTD.  
CREDITORS ASKED TO PROVE THEIR DEBTS  
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THE OFFICIAL RECEIVER AND PROVISIONAL LIQUIDATOR OF THE HONG KONG RESORT COMPANY LIMITED, MR. P. JACOBS, TODAY ASKED CREDITORS OF THE COMPANY TO PROVE THEIR DEBTS ON OR BEFORE MAY 24, 1977.

HE SAID THIS WOULD ENABLE HIM TO OBTAIN THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF CREDITORS AND THE AMOUNTS OF THEIR CLAIMS, SO THAT HE COULD CONTINUE HIS NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE BEST AVAILABLE INFORMATION BEFORE HIM.

CREDITORS SHOULD LODGE THEIR CLAIMS WITH THE OFFICIAL RECEIVER AND PROVISIONAL LIQUIDATOR AT SUTHERLAND HOUSE, 10TH FLOOR, 3, CHATER ROAD.

MR. JACOBS SAID: +IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REASONS GIVEN TO MR. JUSTICE LI FOR AN ADJOURNMENT OF THE PETITION AT A HEARING ON MAY 3, 1977, NEGOTIATIONS ARE BEING CONDUCTED WITH INTERESTED PARTIES, WHICH, IF THEY REACH A SATISFACTORY CONCLUSION WILL BE OF BENEFIT TO THE COMPANY, ITS CREDITORS AND SHAREHOLDERS.+

THE CASE WILL BE HEARD AGAIN ON MAY 31, 1977.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE RECEPTION FOR  
H.K.'S SPORTS TEAMS

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THE HONG KONG TABLE TENNIS AND SOCCER TEAMS WHICH EXCELLED THEMSELVES IN INTERNATIONAL MATCHES TWO MONTHS AGO WERE OFFICIALLY RECEIVED THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, AND LADY MACLEHOSE AT A RECEPTION AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE IN HONOUR OF THEIR TRIUMPHANT PERFORMANCES.

ALSO AT THE RECEPTION WERE MR. F.K. LI, SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS= MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES, SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES= MR. KENNETH TOPLEY, DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION= MR. M.C. CASWELL, PRINCIPAL EDUCATION OFFICER, (PHYSICAL EDUCATION, RECREATION AND SPORT UNIT) AND SOME CITY DISTRICT OFFICERS.

SIR MURRAY AND LADY MACLEHOSE CHATTED WITH THE TWO TEAMS AND EXCHANGED VIEWS ABOUT THE HISTORY OF +PING PONG+ AND THE DIET OF ATHLETES.

THE TABLE TENNIS TEAM SWEEP AWAY SIX OUT OF SEVEN GOLD MEDALS AT STAKE IN THE FOURTH COMMONWEALTH TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD IN MARCH AT GUERNSEY, BRITAIN. IN THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP, THE MEN'S TEAM CLINCHED PROMOTION TO GROUP A.

THE SOCCER TEAM ALSO BROUGHT HONOURS FOR HONG KONG BY SMASHING THEIR WAY TO THE TOP OF THE ASIAN GROUP ONE WORLD SOCCER CUP ON MARCH 12 IN SINGAPORE. HONG KONG BEAT SINGAPORE ONE NIL IN THE GROUP'S FINALS.

HONG KONG WILL NOW PLAY THE WINNERS OF THE OTHER THREE ASIAN GROUPS -- IRAN, SOUTH KOREA AND KUWAIT -- AND AUSTRALIA OF THE OCEANIA GROUP, IN THE CONTINUING ELIMINATION ROUNDS TO QUALIFY FOR WORLD CUP FINALS IN ARGENTINA NEXT YEAR.

BEFORE THE RECEPTION ENDED, THE CAPTAIN OF THE SOCCER TEAM MR. WU KWOK-HUNG, AND THE VICE-CAPTAIN, MR. KWOK KA-MING PRESENTED SIR MURRAY WITH AN AUTOGRAPHED BANNER AND FOOTBALL.

ON RECEIVING THE FOOTBALL, SIR MURRAY SAID JOKINGLY: +IF MY OLD SCHOOL SEES ME WITH THIS ROUND FOOTBALL, I WOULD BE EXPELLED FROM THE OLD BOY'S ASSOCIATION.+ (SIR MURRAY WAS EDUCATED AT RUGBY).

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QUEEN THANKS GOVERNOR FOR BIRTHDAY GREETING MESSAGE

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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN HAS THANKED THE GOVERNOR AND THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG FOR THEIR MESSAGE OF GREETINGS AND CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF HER MAJESTY'S BIRTHDAY ON APRIL 21.

IN A TELEGRAM TO THE GOVERNOR TODAY, THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS SAID: +I AM COMMANDED TO CONVEY HER MAJESTY'S SINCERE APPRECIATION AND THANKS TO YOU AND TO ALL WHO ASSOCIATED THEMSELVES WITH YOUR MESSAGE OF LOYAL GREETINGS ON THE OCCASION OF HER MAJESTY'S BIRTHDAY.+

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RAILWAY AREA PLAN

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AN AMENDMENT HAS BEEN MADE TO THE RAILWAY AREA PLAN FOR THE MODIFIED INITIAL SYSTEM OF THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY, IT WAS ANNOUNCED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY.

THE +RAILWAY AREA+ IS THE AREA WITHIN WHICH LAND MAY BE RESUMED OR EASEMENTS IN, UNDER OR OVER LAND MAY BE CREATED FOR THE PURPOSE OF AND INCIDENTAL TO THE RAILWAY.

A SUBSTITUTE PLAN SHOWING THE AMENDMENT HAS BEEN DEPOSITED IN THE LAND OFFICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY (LAND RESUMPTION AND RELATED PROVISIONS) ORDINANCE.

THE PLAN INCORPORATES A MINOR BOUNDARY AMENDMENT IN THE VICINITY OF THE P. AND O. BUILDING, NOS. 21 TO 23 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.

COPIES OF THE SUBSTITUTE PLAN MAY BE INSPECTED FREE OF CHARGE DURING OFFICE HOURS AT THE CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, GROUND FLOOR- AT THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, OR AT ANY OF THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICES.

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PRESS CONFERENCE ON FREE PRIMARY PLACES  
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NOTE TO EDITORS :

DETAILS OF A CAMPAIGN TO DRAW THE ATTENTION OF ALL PARENTS, SPECIFICALLY THOSE IN THE FISHING AND WATER-BORNE COMMUNITIES, TO THE FULL AVAILABILITY OF FREE PRIMARY PLACES WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TO BE HELD ON MONDAY (MAY 16) AT 2.30 P.M. IN THE G.I.S. THEATRE, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, FIFTH FLOOR.

THE PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE CHAIRED BY THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY. ALSO PRESENT WILL BE THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (PRIMARY), MR. DAVID LEUNG.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND THIS PRESS CONFERENCE.

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TRAM SERVICES MAY BE INTERRUPTED  
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TRAM SERVICES MAY BE SLIGHTLY INTERRUPTED TOMORROW (SATURDAY) NIGHT IN ORDER TO FACILITATE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION IN THE CENTRAL DISTRICT.

IF ALL PREPARATORY WORKS FOR A TRAM TRACK DIVERSION IN DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, NEAR PEDDAR STREET, CAN BE COMPLETED ON SCHEDULE BY NOON TOMORROW, THE EXISTING EAST BOUND TRAMS WILL BE JOINED UP WITH THE NEW RAILS FROM OUTSIDE THE P. AND O. BUILDING TO ALEXANDRA HOUSE AT NIGHT.

IF THIS WORK GOES AHEAD IT WILL NECESSITATE THE SUSPENSION OF WEST BOUND TRAM SERVICES BEYOND WAN CHAI DISTRICT AFTER 10.50 P.M. LIMITED SERVICES WILL STILL BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN SHAU KEI WAN AND HAPPY VALLEY.

HOWEVER, IF THE WORK ON THE DIVERSION HAS TO BE POSTPONED ALL TRAM SERVICES WILL OPERATE AS USUAL.

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN ADVISED THAT IN CASE THE WEST BOUND TRAM SERVICES ARE STOPPED DETAILS WOULD BE ANNOUNCED OVER THE RADIO.

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DISPLAY OF ADVERTISEMENTS AT AIRPORT  
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TENDERS ARE BEING INVITED FOR THE RIGHT TO DISPLAY ADVERTISING MATERIALS AT VARIOUS PROMINENT POSITIONS AT THE ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE LEVELS OF THE AIRPORT PASSENGER TERMINAL BUILDING.

THE GENERAL ADVERTISING CONCESSION IS FOR THREE YEARS FROM AUGUST 1.

THE ADVERTISING MATERIALS WILL BE MOUNTED IN SHOWCASES, DISPLAY AREAS, SIGN PANELS AND WALL DISPLAYS.

ACCORDING TO A NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY), TENDER APPLICATIONS MUST BE FORWARDED TO THE CENTRAL TENDER BOARD BEFORE NOON ON FRIDAY, MAY 27.

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ANNUAL DINNER OF IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT  
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MORE THAN 600 STAFF AND GUESTS ATTENDED THE ANNUAL DINNER OF THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT AT THE PEARL CITY RESTAURANT THIS EVENING (FRIDAY) -- THE FIRST SINCE THE MERGING OF THE IMMIGRATION AND THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS DEPARTMENTS.

THE GUEST OF HONOUR WAS THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DENYS ROBERTS WHO PROPOSED A TOAST TO THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT AND PRESENTED THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION, MR. DEREK READMAN, WITH A FAREWELL GIFT. MR. READMAN WILL BE RETIRING SHORTLY AFTER 29 YEARS OF GOVERNMENT SERVICE.

EARLIER, THE DIRECTOR, MR. MARTIN ROWLANDS, PRESENTED COMMENDATION CERTIFICATES TO 41 OFFICERS FOR OUTSTANDING WORK DURING THE YEAR, PARTICULARLY IN DETECTING FORGED TRAVEL DOCUMENTS. HE ALSO TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO WELCOME THE STAFF OF THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICE INTO THE NEW DEPARTMENT.

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WATER CUT  
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WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN KAM TIN WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR FIVE HOURS FROM 1 A.M. ON SATURDAY (MAY 14) TO ENABLE THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT TO CARRY OUT A NIGHT LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AFFECTED AREA IS BOUNDED BY KAM TIN ROAD BETWEEN AU TAU CROSS ROAD AND THE ACCESS ROAD LEADING TO SHEK KONG AIRPORT, INCLUDING WING LUNG WAI, SHING MUN SAN TSUEN, TAI HONG WAI, KAM TIN SHI, KAM HING WAI, SHUI TAU TSUEN AND FUI SHA WAI.

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N.T.A. HEADQUARTERS TO MOVE  
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THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION WILL MOVE TO ITS NEW OFFICES OVER THE WEEKEND AT THE HOUSING AUTHORITY HEADQUARTERS BUILDING IN OI MAN ESTATE, KOWLOON.

IT WILL START OPERATING FROM MONDAY (MAY 16) ON THE FIFTH FLOOR AND HALF OF THE FOURTH FLOOR OF THE BUILDING.

ACCOMMODATION ON THE FIFTH FLOOR INCLUDES OFFICES FOR THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, THE DEPUTY SECRETARIES AND THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT LAND AGENT.

THE N.T.A.'S CIVILIAN INFORMATION UNIT WILL ALSO MOVE TO THE NEW OFFICES FROM THE CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING.

THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR ENQUIRIES AT THE NEW N.T.A. HEADQUARTERS IS 3-0502480.

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